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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF VENTURA

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER RE:
EMERGENCY AUTHORITY - PENAL CODE
SECTION 1382 AND CIVIL TRIAL DEADLINES**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 22.12**

The Ventura Superior Court is committed to protecting the health and safety of jurors, attorneys, staff, judges, law enforcement, other court users, and the general public, while continuing to perform its constitutional and statutory duties. Over the past two years, the court has implemented protocols designed to protect the health and safety of all court users and personnel in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. These protocols have resulted in substantial procedural impediments that have significantly affected the court's ability to conduct court proceedings. Therefore, based upon the authority granted under the March 24, 2022, Emergency Order of Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye, Chair of the Judicial Council of California and the court's inherent authority to consider the needs of the public and court as they relate to the efficient and effective management of the court's calendars (California Rules of Court, rule 10.603(c)),

THE COURT HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Acting Supervising Judge of the Criminal Department may extend the time period for the holding of a criminal trial under Penal Code section 1382 by not more than 30 days, applicable only to cases in which the original or previously extended statutory deadline otherwise would expire between March 25, 2022, to April 22, 2022, inclusive. (Chief Justice's March 24, 2022, Order; Gov. Code, §68115(a)(10)).

THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, leading to health and safety concerns resulting in substantial operational impediments, and the proclamations of states of emergency by federal, state, and local officials, it was determined on 26 prior occasions that the conditions described in Government Code section 68115 were met with regard to the Superior Court of California, County of Ventura (Court). Based on those determinations, and pursuant to the Court's requests, corresponding emergency orders issued authorizing the Court to implement certain relief under Government Code section 68115. Upon the renewed request of Presiding Judge Bruce A. Young, it now is determined that the conditions described in Government Code section 68115(a) continue to exist (Gov. Code, § 68115(c)), and it is ordered that the Court is authorized to do the following:

- Extend the time periods provided in sections 583.310 and 583.320 of the Code of Civil Procedure to bring an action to trial by not more than 30 days, applicable only to cases in which the statutory deadline otherwise would expire from March 25, 2022, to April 22, 2022, inclusive (Gov. Code, § 68115(a)(6)); and
- Extend the time period provided in section 1382 of the Penal Code (section 1382) for the holding of a criminal trial by not more than 30 days, applicable only to cases in which the original or previously extended statutory deadline otherwise would expire from

March 25, 2022, to April 22, 2022, inclusive (Gov. Code,
§ 68115(a)(10)).*

Date: March 24, 2022



Hon. Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye
Chief Justice of California and
Chair of the Judicial Council

* This authority supplements the authority to extend section 1382 deadlines previously granted in prior emergency orders. Accordingly, for any case in which the time to bring a defendant to trial previously was extended under one or more prior emergency order, and the extended deadline falls within the above-specified time period, this order authorizes the Court to extend the previously extended deadline by up to an additional 30 days. For any case in which the initial section 1382 deadline falls within the above-specified time period and is not governed by a prior emergency order, this order authorizes the Court to extend the time to bring a defendant to trial by a total of up to 30 days.